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திரு. கே. ராமதாஸ்: சென்னை நகரத்தை விஸ்தரிக்கப் போவதாகச் சொல்லப்படுகிறது. அந்த நேரத்தில் சென்னை அருகிலுள்ள செங்கற் சூளைகளை சென்னை நகரத்திற்கு அப்பால் அகற்ற ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்படுமா?

கனம் திரு. ஆர். வெங்கட்டராமன்: செங்கற் சூளைகள் சாதாரணமாக நகருக்கு வெளிப்புறங்களில்தான் அமைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளன. புதிதாக வரும்போது விஸ்தரிக்கப்படும் நகரத்திற்கு வெளியில்தான் அவை இருக்கும்.

Power Supply

*29 Q.—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN and DR. A. SREENIVASAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has approached the Government for power supply;

(b) whether there was any discussion recently on this matter between the Chief Ministers of Andhra and Madras States; and

(c) if so, the decisions, if any, taken there at?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: (a) Yes. The Government of Andhra Pradesh moved in the matter in August 1962.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

(அ) ஆம்; ஆந்திர அரசினர் ஆகஸ்ட் 1962-ல் கடிதம் எழுதினர்.

(இ) இல்லை.

(உ) வினா எழாது.

Tuticorin Spinning Mills, Limited

*30 Q.—SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN (on behalf of SRI J. PONNUSWAMY VILLAVARAYAR): Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have taken shares in the Tuticorin Spinning Mills, Limited, and, if so, the number of shares taken;

(b) the dividend, if any, received by the Government during 1961–62;

(c) whether there are any representatives of the Government in the above mill, and, if so, who they are; and

(d) whether any loan has been granted to the above mill and, if so, the amount so granted?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: (a) Government have not subscribed any share capital to the Tuticorin Spinning Mills, Limited.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.

(d) Government sanctioned to the mill two loans amounting to Rs. 9,52,331 in 1954 and 1955; but they were subsequently transferred to the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation.

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SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR: Are they working properly?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: They are not only working properly but they have repaid the instalments.

Panchayat courts

* 31 *Q.*—SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of panchayat courts formed after the Panchayats Act, 1958, has come into force districtwar;

(*b*) the number of panchayat courts yet to be formed in the State districtwar; and

(*c*) the reasons for the delay in constituting such courts?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) 'Nil'.

(*b*) 'Nil'.

(*c*) The Madras Panchayats Act, 1958, provides that after the panchayat union councils are constituted under the Act, the village panchayats shall cease to perform functions of panchayat courts. The Board of Revenue has been asked to take necessary steps to establish village courts under section 6 of the Madras Village Courts Act, 1888, and to create courts of village munsifs under section 7 of the Act in the areas where the Madras Panchayats Act, 1958, has come into force. The consolidated proposals from the Board of Revenue in this regard are awaited.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDAN: Are the Government aware that there are no panchayat courts now functioning in most of the villages excepting a very few, that are working against the rules? It has been stated by the Hon. Minister that all those panchayats were not authorized to function as panchayat courts. So, there are actually no courts in the villages and villagers find it rather difficult and rather expensive to go to the nearest civil courts. Will the Government take some steps to expedite the election to the panchayat courts?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: As I said, consolidated proposals from the Board of Revenue are awaited, but aggrieved parties can go to the village munsif's court.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN: Since the Panchayat Union Council Act has come into force and since the village munsifs' courts are not preferred by the villagers, will the Government at least conduct elections to the panchayat courts or authorize the present panchayats to act as village courts?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I have stated clearly that it is not the idea of the Government that we should have the village panchayats elected to perform the judicial functions. There